Abstract of Disclosure

A money changer for automatic coin machines, comprising a casing in which a plurality of serially arranged tubes are mounted to store coins in a column shape, light barriers associated to the tubes at least in the upper and lower regions with each light barrier having a light-emitting element and a light sensitive receiving element which are superposed on the same side of the coin tube whereas the opposite side of the coin tube has arranged thereon a prism which reflects the received light back to the receiving element, and a control circuit for the money changer into which the output signals of the light receiving elements are entered, wherein the casing has a wall portion in parallel with the series of the coin tubes, a printed circuit board for the control circuit is mounted on the opposite side on the wall portion and carries the light-emitting elements and light-receiving elements which are directed towards the respective coin tube via holes in the printed circuit board and in the wall portion.